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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Dante McAlister, 27, Beloit, Wisconsin, was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge Barbara Crabb to 84 months in prison without parole for being a felon in possession of a firearm. McAlister pleaded guilty to this charge on February 27, 2007.

On July 22, 2006, the defendant brandished the gun in a dispute. The victims called the police and the defendant was arrested a short time later. McAlister had only been out of prison for three months at the time of this offense.

The charges against McAlister were the result of an investigation conducted by the Beloit Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Elizabeth Altman.

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